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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final office action mailed on January 23, 2009 (the "Office Action"), please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below in accordance with the Rules of Practice. No fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this paper, however, should any fee be deemed necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct it from Deposit Account No. 50-1662 referencing the above docket number.

Amendments to the Claims begin at page 2 of this reply. **Remarks** begin at page 3 of this reply.